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P. Van Voris et al.

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR
PROTECTION OF WOODEN
OBJECTS PROXIMATE SOIL
FROM PEST INVASION

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Commissioner for Patents:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the reference(s) listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the listed references are enclosed.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying PTO Form-1449 filed with the Patent and Trademark Office on October 4, 2001. To date, we have not received an indication that the Examiner considered references D01, D02, and E01 listed on the PTO Form-1449 accompanying the October 4th Information Disclosure

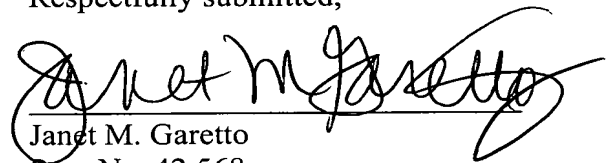
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Statement. Applicants are, therefore, resubmitting copies of the references listed on the PTO Form-1449 accompanying the October 4th Information Disclosure Statement for the Examiner's convenience and are requesting the Examiner to consider these references and initial the present PTO Form-1449 accordingly.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in conjunction with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination and, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(4), it is being submitted before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, should any fees be deemed necessary (except payment of the issue fee), the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any over payment to Jenkins & Gilchrist Account No. 10-0447/47309-00025USC1.

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